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Statement of Substance of Interview

This paper is a Statement of Substance of Interview for the Examiner Interview of August 18, 2005 between Examiner Karl J. Puttlitz and the undersigned.

The date of the interview was August 18, 2005. The interview was telephonic. No exhibit was shown. No demonstration was conducted. Claims 4 and 5 were discussed. The Kawajiri et al. reference was discussed. No agreement was reached.

The Examiner and the undersigned discussed ion-exchanged water and distilled water. The Kawajiri et al. Reference relates to distilled water.

The Examiner and the undersigned discussed the general disclosure as to "water" in column 3, line 53, of Kawajiri et al. reference and about the disclosures as to distilled water in the Examples of the Kawajiri et al. reference.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 18, 2005 to 1-571-273-8300 by applicant's attorney, Robert J. Jacobson.

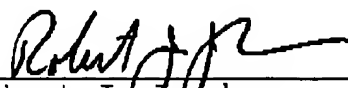

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The Examiner and the undersigned discussed Document 1 (related to distilled water) and Document 2 (related to pure water). Documents 1 and 2 were attached to the Amendment and Remarks filed June 28, 2005.

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